

Appeal to Courts.

(Special to The Chronicle)
St. Paul, June 1.—The shareholders of ten Western roads have begun suits to test the validity of recent state legislation especially affecting commodity rates.

Warship for Prince.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Ottawa, June 1.—King Edward has placed a warship at the disposal of Prince Fushimi. He will sail from Victoria on June 24.

Desirable Douk. Lands.

(Special to The Chronicle)
A great rush was made today or the Doukhobar land thrown open to settlement. A long string of applicants has stood in the land office since opening this morning, and the rush will last several days. The town has been crowded for some days by the anxious settlers awaiting the opening of the lands.

Bandit's Son Lawyer.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Kansas City, June 1.—Jesse James, one of the famous bandits, graduated at law school here yesterday.

Ranching Company Incorporated.

Ottawa, June 1.—The Grant Ranching Company has been incorporated with a capital of one hundred thousand dollars. The company headquarters are to be at Walsh Alta.

Wolseley Wants Mill.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Wolseley, Sask., June 1.—The representatives of this town yesterday voted \$25,000 to Joseph Comphorn to build a flour mill.

Builders Laborers Out.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Ottawa, June 1.—Laborers to the number of four hundred went on strike here today. They were offered 28 cents an hour without recognition of the union but they refused and quit work.

Market Report.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Winnipeg, June 1.—
July wheat..... 90
July oats..... 42½

VITAL STATISTICS FOR MAY.

Births 41, Marriages 13, Deaths 17

BUILDING PERMITS

E.H. Tyler, Bungalow Cottage on Lots 28 and 29, Block 128, cost \$12.00.
J.J. Molloy, cottage on Lot 28, Block 46, \$800.
J.J. Stuts, dwelling on Lot 3, Block 5, \$1,000.

Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder.

Premier Rutherford, while away to Europe, is not forgetful of his home city, and still practices the little harmless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love, which have ever been one of his crowning characteristics. On the eve of his departure for his European trip the local band serenaded him, and as a mark of his appreciation, he sent from Quebec a cheque for twenty-five dollars to be applied to the use of the band. The letter also contained expressions of good will and wishes for a successful season. The band boys are extremely jubilant over the receipt of the communication.

Building Report

Building Permits for May
Total \$165,000

Building permits for the month of May, Total \$165,000.
The above total does not include the C.P.R. improvements, particulars of which are given below:
Station (complete)..... \$40,000
Engine and boiler..... 40,000
House (complete)..... 40,000
Coal Shute, Ash Pit, Sand House, Tank, etc..... 20,000
Bunk House..... 2,000
Store House..... 9,000
Total..... \$165,000
This is only a partial list of the buildings to be erected, and the estimated cost of the remainder will be published later. The expenditure on C.P.R. improvements will probably total anywhere from \$10,000 to \$140,000.

The total amount already entered for buildings and C.P.R. improvements this year up to May 31st inclusive, is in the neighborhood of \$417,500.

May 1st, 1907.
J. H. Davies,
Building Inspector,
Strathcona.

Buffalo Herd Arrive.

The two train loads of buffalo, as anticipated in last night's Chronicle, arrived at the C.P.R. depot at a.m. There were seventeen cars containing 197 of the animals. The engineer on the train was Ed. Volk and the fireman A. E. Deitz, son of Wm. Deitz, the well known contractor. The conductor in charge of the train was James Niven, and it goes without saying that the crew exercised the greatest care in handling the precious cargo. As one railway man remarked, it would not take many serious to kill a man than to kill one of the herd of buffalo. The large bulls were roped securely to rings in the cars and not allowed loose, but the smaller ones were loaded like other stock. There were a number of yearlings and calves in the herd, which dispenses of the theory that the species will not breed in captivity.
One of the cows died on the way up, but was not unloaded and will be carried through to its destination. The train remained here but a short time, where it was turned over to the E. Y. & P. and taken across the river and on to Lamont.

Whyte on the Way.

Wm. Whyte, Second Vice-President of the C.P.R., had not arrived in the city at the time of going to press, but was expected about 5 o'clock. He will look over the work here and then proceed to Edmonton, where he will hold a conference with the City Council and discuss the entrance of the road into that city.
The teams on the sidings gave were laid off this forenoon awaiting his arrival, as some slight change is contemplated in the location of the warehouse siding.

Cry Causes Panic

(Special to The Chronicle)
Montreal, June 1.—A cry of fire in the ball room of the Lacrosse Hall on Notre Dame Street last night caused a panic resulting in the death of Arthur Delapierre and the injury of several other persons, two of whom are dying.

On Serious Charge.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Toronto, June 1.—A serious charge made again a number of high school teachers in Northern Ontario is being investigated by the Government.
It is alleged that they made a deal with the publishers as to optional subjects for examinations, and divided the proceeds of the sale of books containing the questions.

Poisoned Horses.

Stoney Plain, May 29.—Peter Baron, of the Blueberry School District, almost lost all his horses on Monday night May 29th. Some unknown person placed poison in the food which the horses were to eat, and when they ate their supper two of them became sick and one died soon after. A little oil at the food provided for him, and also died next morning. Luckily Baron's other two horses were out working at the time. In the meantime the poison was found in the manger. One horse which died belonged to Philip Baron. The doctor was sent for, but so help could possibly save the animals.

More Winter Wheat.

Letbridge, May 29.—The area of wheat in Southern Alberta is between 50 and 75 per cent greater this year than last. The crop is in splendid condition, and the farmers are most hopeful. The winter wheat already stands about eight inches high, and the spring wheat is looking well.
The season has been most favorable so far and was earlier than farther west. Winter wheat is the principal crop, and Letbridge is the centre of the winter wheat district.

The increase in the acreage is general in every direction from Letbridge, being most marked in the eastern side where a number of new towns have sprung up. At Taber, it is claimed, there are 7,000 acres in winter wheat, where last year there were not more than a thousand acres at the outside.

BASEBALL.

(Special to The Chronicle)

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
Brooklyn..... 4
New York..... 2
Boston..... 6
Philadelphia..... 6
Pittsburg..... 2
Chicago..... 2

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
St. Louis..... 6
Cleveland..... 1
Detroit..... 1
New York..... 4
Boston..... 4
Washington..... 2
Philadelphia..... 2

EASTERN LEAGUE.
Buffalo..... 4
Jersey City..... 5
Montreal..... 1

WESTERN CANADA LEAGUE.
Edmonton..... 0 1 0 2 1 0-5
Calgary..... 0 0 0 4 0 0-1
Vancouver..... 4 1 1 6
Letbridge..... 3 4 2

Standing of clubs:—
W. L. P. C.
Medicine Hat..... 3 2 2
Calgary..... 0 5 5
Edmonton..... 5 5 500
Letbridge..... 3 7 200

NORTH-WEST COPPER LEAGUE.
Duluth..... 2
Winnipeg..... 3
Calmet..... 5
Houghton..... 9

Squadron Has Arrived.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Halifax, June 1.—A squadron of first-class British cruisers has arrived here, comprising the Good Hope, Hampshire, Roxburgh and Argyle.

Foiled With Gun.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Rotherham, Sask., June 1.—A German merchant named Ryt was fingered with the trigger of a loaded gun yesterday, which he had discharged, blowing off his right hand.

Escaped from Reformatory.

(Special to The Chronicle)
Vancouver, June 1.—Peter Hanson, Arthur Eyre and John Melanis, the boys who escaped from the reformatory at Texaco have not yet been recaptured.

Shot Policeman.

Syracuse, N. Y., May 31.—A special to the Post Standard from Norwich, N. Y., says: "Officer Neal Lewis, of the Norwich police force, was shot three times this afternoon by Fred Day, whom, with the assistance of Deputy Sheriff Walworth, he was attempting to arrest. On ball lodged in the left breast, over the heart, one in the abdomen, and one in the arm. Day lived alone about five miles south of the village. When the officer appeared at the house and told him that he had opened fire with a revolver. The officers returned the fire, but Day escaped, wounded in the shoulder. An armed posse is searching for him. Officer Lewis' condition is critical, but he is resting comfortably tonight. He was very popular and the excitement here is intense."

Syracuse, N. Y., May 31.—In the general fusillade Day was shot twice by the officers, through the right breast and right arm. He showed his wounds to a neighbor before he disappeared into the woods towards Guilford. He is so badly wounded that it is expected that he will either die or have to give himself up. Day was under a bond to appear in court on Monday. He killed a neighbor, and his father this morning overtook a new peace warrant against him, which the officers were attempting to serve.

Shot by Burglar

Grandview, May 31.—Joseph Storey, a farmer residing near McCarry returned unexpectedly today after breakfast, found a burglar in possession with various household goods packed for removal. The thief said, "I suppose I'm in for it," to which Storey replied, "I guess you are."

"The young fellow is for it too," rejoined the burglar, and seizing his rifle shot Storey through the throat, and fired three more shots, which missed. Storey, who is a brother of C. N. R. Foreman Chris. Storey, and nephew of Councilor Joe Storey, is yet alive. Constable Deane is in pursuit of the burglar.

Killed by Live Wire.

Kemora, Ont., May 31.—James Brown, second engineer in charge of the power house, received a shock from a live wire while standing near a switchboard and was instantly killed. His assistant, seeing Brown fall, caught, immediately turned off the switch, when Brown fell back dead. In some unaccountable way he must have caught hold of the wire, for his left hand was badly burned. The cause of the accident is being investigated at the left leg above the knee, which was badly burned. Deceased was 55 years of age.

Too Much Cold Down East.

Ottawa, May 30.—Ottawa doctors claim that the long continued cold spell is responsible for a great deal of sickness. The calls upon them are much more frequent than is usually the case at this time of the year. There have been a large number of cases of pneumonia.

Fresh Fish For England

London, May 31.—It is understood that a scheme is in preparation for the importation of fresh fish from British Columbia into the United Kingdom. According to the ideas of the promoters, it is possible to put untanned British Columbia salmon or halibut on the table here at less cost than Vermont blunders in the glass season.

Competent authorities here and in Canada have pronounced the scheme feasible. Those powerful firms in England, Scotland and Ireland are stated to have expressed their willingness to engage in the task of distributing to British consumers. Kalon Island is to be the fishing station. It is a clause in the agreement which will also provide a cold storage service from Vancouver to New Zealand.

Many Out Of Work

Conditions in 'Frisco.

San Francisco, May 30.—Harbor Commissioner W. B. Stanford has submitted this report to Governor Gillette: "The San Francisco Municipal Union has a membership of nine hundred. At this time but fifty are working regularly, the majority of the members in the union are taking part about for this employment. Of about six thousand clerks and salesmen in retail stores, two thousand are out of employment, and those that are working get two days off weekly, some with and some without pay. There are 1,200 iron workers, 2,000 carmen, 500 phone girls and 1,500 hundred laundry workers, out on strike. Ten thousand men of the building trade are out of work through strikes, lack of material and lack of money. 500 laundry wagon drivers are out of employment as a result of the laundry workers' strike. Up to a month ago architects and draftsmen could not speak a word of English and were glad to get them. Now there are four or five applicants in every office daily and no work to be had. The restaurant business is out on half, and the work diminished proportionately. Four thousand laborers on street railroad work are laid off. They walk the streets in pleasure looking for work and congeal the employment office."

Three Years for Cattle Stealing

Port Arthur, Ont., May 31.—L. Winsmore, of Duluth, was sentenced to serve three years at Kingston penitentiary for horse stealing. Winsmore stole two horses and a cow from a local hotel stable, took them to Port William and sold them for \$800. He was arrested by the Port William police and was tried and sentenced by Magistrate Dobie here.

Japanese Prince Coming.

Liverpool, May 31.—A brilliant scene was witnessed, when, on the Empress of Ireland, Prince Fushimi took his departure. The prince, train Archer Barker, European manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway, received the prince, who anticipated with pleasure visiting the Empire's largest colony. The Empire's greatest railway vessel was as good as admitted as the prince's special train. Perfect arrangements have been made. The prince's suit of rooms is a dream of domestic comfort. The London press is enthusiastic.

Among the distinguished passengers are the Earl and Countess Grey, Lady Sybil Grey, Sir Frederick Borden, Sir Josiah Symon and Sir Charles Ross. The Empress is full of the tourists rush to Canada as a result of the Imperial conference.

Addressing Prince Fushimi at the Eaton station at London prior to his departure for Liverpool, Sir E. Davidson, secretary to the King, said that King Edward hoped he would thoroughly enjoy his stay in Canada.

Five Year Agreement with Printers.

Montreal, May 31.—At a joint meeting of the English and French branches of the typographical union, last night, it was announced that the agreement had been reached with the newspapers and other employers of printers for a new schedule covering a period of five years. There are only a few minor exceptions to acceptance of the agreement, which may result in a strike tomorrow. The schedule of wages up to the end of 1908 is \$14 per week, to 1911, \$15, and 1912, \$16. There is no overtime to be allowed at rate of one and a half and after 1908, time and one third for first three hours and after three hours double. Night shifts are to be allowed 15 per cent advance. It is stipulated that in offices where there are non-union employees, they may be retained but new hands taken on are to be union men. There is a clause making exception to this in such cases as where non-union men may be better than union men.

Emmerson's Libel Suit.

Trial of Managing Editor of Frederickian Gleaner Has Commenced.

Fredericton, N.B., May 31.—Proceedings in the preliminary examination of James H. Crockett, managing director of the Gleaner, in the criminal charge of libel preferred by the Hon. H. Emmerson, Minister of railways, opened here yesterday. After hearing the evidence for the prosecution, the judge adjourned until tomorrow.

The prosecution based the case on a statement published in the Gleaner on March 27, in which Mr. Emmerson is alleged to have been ejected with two women of ill-repute, from the St. Lawrence Hall, Montreal. During the hearing the defence objected to a single sentence containing the alleged libel being put in evidence, claiming that the whole article as published should be before the court. After some discussion between counsel the judge overruled the objection.

Mr. Crockett, the defendant, accompanied by J. Douglas Harn, C. C., O. S. Crockett, M.P., and H. F. Mackay were the first to arrive. A few minutes later Hon. William Pugsley, Hon. A. B. White, and J. M. Barry, K.C., entered the courtroom followed by Mr. Emmerson, who shook hands with Mr. Crockett, M. P., and Mr. Harn. Mr. Barry proposed the proceedings by reading the formal information to the effect that James H. Crockett had been charged upon oath with printing and publishing on March 27 an article in the Daily Gleaner containing the following defamatory libel concerning Emmerson:

"This minister was Mr. Emmerson himself, and one of the places from which he was ejected with two women of ill repute, with whom he had been keeping company not a long time ago, was the St. Lawrence Hall, Montreal."

The words so published were claimed to be without legal justification or excuse and likely to injure the reputation of the said Mr. Emmerson by exposing him to hatred, contempt, ridicule, and to designed insult.

Mr. Barry produced 30 jury men, a number of witnesses had been subpoenaed for the prosecution when Mr. Harn rose to say that he presumed the witnesses were for the purpose of proving publication. He was instructed by Mr. Crockett to say that he would assume the responsibility for the publication of the article in question. He did this to facilitate prosecution.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley thanked the opposing counsel for the offer. Such a statement, however, he said, could not be taken in a criminal libel suit. Mr. Harn replied that the client was defending the suit on the ground that he believed it to be true and that there had been publication. He was defending the action on the ground that he believed it to be true and that there had been publication. He was defending the action on the ground that he believed it to be true and that there had been publication.

The prosecution then called a witness who brought a copy of the Gleaner of March 27th. J. D. Black city editor of the Gleaner, was next witness, but he swore he did not know who was the editor of the paper or who wrote the article complained of. He was on the stand at adjournment.

Another Big Blaze

Montreal, May 31.—Another serious fire broke out here early this morning resulting in at least one death, and many injuries. Fire broke out during progress of a dance which was going on in a hall on Notre Dame Street, the ground floor, which was occupied by G. Maréchal, real-estate man. The crowd of dancers became panic-stricken by the rush of smoke and jumped from the windows before the firemen arrived. One man had both legs broken, another his spine injured. The firemen were busy with ladders. The fire was soon put out. The financial loss is slight. Arthur Duperrault, butcher, died later from injuries. Eighteen in all were injured.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

THE TRAMWAY PROPOSAL

The proposal of the Strathcona Radial Tramway Company, Limited, which has been placed before the council is one that ought to meet with the general approval of the citizens. While the Chronicle is generally in favor of municipal ownership of public utilities, the conditions surrounding the request for a franchise from this company are peculiar. The city of Edmonton, while controlling its own franchise and not entirely inexpedient to proceed with the building and equipment of an electric street railway unless it can get the privilege of Strathcona streets and the city engineer of that municipality reports that the first portion of the road that should be built is that connecting with and permitted running through Strathcona.

There is no denying the fact that the relations between this city and Edmonton are not of an ideal nature. For years this city has been subjected to treatment from Edmonton, its politicians and press, that to say the least it was hardly and the fact is that at the present time this city is growing rapidly and on the eve of prosperity—unprecedented in its history, while Edmonton in the opinion of wise financiers and keen observers has "shot its bolt" and is destined to reap the reward of its abnormal inflation in a season of depression. The knowledge of this fact which its citizens possess though they have for years steadily refused to believe their own observations, only intensifies their jealousy of this city and makes their meanness more apparent. There can be no danger therefore that this city could get worse treatment from a private company made up in a great part of her own most progressive and prosperous citizens, than from a rival corporation, with a long record behind it of narrow parochial selfishness and anything but uniformly honest action.

The radial or suburban clause in the Tramway Co.'s charter is one that should command strong support. It confers on the company the power to build "from a point on or near the town of Strathcona to any point in the District of Alberta, not more than 80 miles distant from the boundaries of the town of Strathcona as the same existed on the 31st day of October, 1904."

This means that in any direction roads may be constructed, all of which will radiate to this city. The Strathcona district boasts quite justly of its superiority as a mixed farming area. With radial roads tapping the various local points within an immense area, the produce of which will gravitate here the possibilities of business advantage to accrue are enormous and infinitely greater than can come to any city, whose chief hope of greatness is based on its position as a through line, be it transcontinental or otherwise.

The company asks permission to build to the present bridge or the proposed traffic bridge, or both, and it will be its object to connect with the Edmonton line and the two companies will in all likelihood come to an amicable arrangement for the exchange and the interchange of traffic rights.

For the convenience of our readers and so that the question may have the consideration it merits, we append the proposal made to the city council notwithstanding the fact that it has already appeared in this paper as municipal news.

May 21st, 1907.
 Geo. F. Dowse, Esq.
 Sec'y-Treas. of the City.

Strathcona, Alta.
 Dear Sir—Will you kindly place before the Council the application of the Strathcona Radial Tramway Company, Limited, for a franchise within the limits of the City.

The particulars of our proposition are as follows:—
 1. Exclusive franchise for 30 years with option of City to purchase then or at the end of any ensuing term of 5 years on two years notice.
 2. Exemption from taxation for 15 years from commencement of construction, and thereafter exemption for the Company's rails and ties and the Company's share of paving and plankings.

3. For the first ten years the City to receive no share of the Company's earnings; for the next ten years 2 per cent. of the net profits and thereafter after five per cent. of the net earnings up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and eight per cent. on the excess over that amount. "Profits" and "Earnings" to mean the profits and earnings within the limits of the City.

4. Cars from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.; night cars not compulsory until the population of the City is Fifty Thousand.

5. The company to keep in order to correspond with balance of streets, its share of roadway and pavement.

6. Three miles of line to be in operation by November 1st, 1909, which three miles ought to include a line to the present bridge or to the proposed high-level bridge, but only if the Edmonton Railway system is then constructed to such bridge, and the balance of the three miles to be upon such streets as the City shall select. Extensions on other streets as population increases on demand of City Council.

7. Motive power electricity and cars of proper construction. System of application of power, overhead trolley system, which is to be changed after years on demand of the City on Two years notice, if another system be recognized as an improved system.

8. Track to be standard gauge.

9. Rates to be five cents with classes of tickets at cheaper rates.

10. City to approve of company's obtaining running rights on present bridge and proposed high level bridge.

Of course many matters not mentioned in the above list will require to be settled in an agreement.

Yours truly,
 F. C. Jamieson,
 Secretary Strathcona Radial Tramway Co.

The report of Building Inspector Davies, which appears in another column, is one that should give the utmost satisfaction. The C. F. R. figures given by Mr. Davies are the most authentic yet given the public as they are taken from a letter from a responsible official of the company. Of course, they are incomplete in so far as they refer to the undertaking of the company at this point but so far as they go will cover every item referred to.

The building and improvements, including the C.F.R. so far this year amount to upwards of \$400,000 the record should have the effect of creating a hurried exit among the knockers and critical townsmen whose stock in trade for years has been the grumbling so common to aggrieved old grannies.

The latest western Journal to land is the Dandelion Press, published at the thriving young town on the branch east of Wetaskiwin. The Press is an independent weekly and a newsy paper. Editor McDowell's first number is a credit to himself and to the thriving town, the enterprise of which, it is the spokesman.

Rush To New Ontario

Toronto, May 31.—There is going to be a big rush to the Penangam region. At the opening of navigation there were over 200 canoes waiting to go to the Penangam, and hundreds of men were getting ready to go on. The Abitibi country is very rich also and new discoveries are being made all the time.

Big Wreck Near Ottawa

Ottawa, May 31.—By the colliding of two extra freight trains on the Grand Trunk Railway, two engines and a half ton of steele Station, on the Depot Harbor line, today, Fireman Alex. Rocton, of Clarence Creek was killed, three freight cars were wrecked, the two engines badly smashed, while engineer, N. Cluff, conductor A. E. Corbridge, engineer H. Chalmers and Conductor F. Graham sustained minor bruises. A brother-in-law Joseph, and a brother-in-law in Hull. The deceased was a single man.

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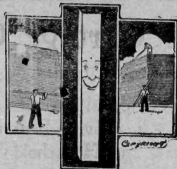
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Poor Outlook for Most Crops.

Ontario Government Bulletin Issued.
Promise of March Failed.

The following information regarding agricultural conditions in the province about the middle of May has been issued by the Ontario Department of Agriculture:

FALL WHEAT.
While a few correspondents report good fields of fall wheat, the bulk of the returns are more or less unfavorable. The crop looked promising in the late fall and came through the winter in good condition, more especially where early sowing, but the trying weather of April, with alternate freezing and thawing, resulted in the killing out of a considerable portion of the crop, there being much heaving on heavy clay soils, and injury from ice and low-lying spots. More fall wheat than usual has been plowed up and much more would be turned under were it not that grass has been seeded down with the wheat. A considerable quantity of barley and oats, however, is being drilled into the late spots for mixed feed. But little injury from insects has been reported, the white grub being most in evidence. The backward state of spring growth has prevented as accurate an opinion of the prospects of the crop as is generally available at this time of the year, but the conditions above described are more or less general in every district where fall wheat is grown.

WINTER RYE.

This crop came through the winter better than either fall wheat or clover, and is regarded as being in fair condition. Most of the rye grown in Ontario is used for selling or for turning under as manure.

CLOVER.

Like fall wheat, clover suffered greatly from the trying weather of April, many fields being badly heaved by frosts, or injured by ice forming on warm sunny soils, and on well-drained places some excellent fields are reported, but on the whole the crop came through the winter and spring in poorer condition than for years and no section of the province has been exempt. The backward spring has made it hard for correspondents to estimate the extent of the loss, some holding that it is up, while others state that it is in poorer condition than for years and no section of the province has been exempt. The backward spring has made it hard for correspondents to estimate the extent of the loss, some holding that it is up, while others state that it is in poorer condition than for years and no section of the province has been exempt. The backward spring has made it hard for correspondents to estimate the extent of the loss, some holding that it is up, while others state that it is in poorer condition than for years and no section of the province has been exempt.

VEGETATION.

Reports are returnable on May 10th, and at that time vegetation was nearly two weeks behind its usual record. Only the best trees had started to leaf and grass had made so slow a growth that there was a rather close bite for live stock on pastures.

LIVE STOCK.

When live stock went into winter quarters it was felt that some than ordinary care would have to be exercised in their feeding and handling, as hay was not so plentiful as usual and mill feed was high in price. The early part of the winter was favorable, and the warm weather of March argued an early season upon the grass but the keen, raw weather of April and the backward growth of the first half of May upset all calculations, and when correspondents wrote, fodder supplies were short with many, and in some cases live stock had to be turned out on pastures that were hardly forward enough to sustain them. Cattle are not in as good spring condition as usual, being on the lean side as a rule, with the exception of some losses from scouring, and a few local causes of abortion in dairy cows, they were generally free from disease. The fact that they were put on grass later than usual, is also against them. Horses, owing to the high prices now being paid for them, are being better cared for than ever. Some distemper, has been reported, but generally of a mild form. The cool weather during spring work was in their favor. Sheep are gaining in favor, and are doing well, although the usual losses in lambing are reported. The fatalities in spring litters of pigs have been serious, but otherwise this popular class of livestock is favorably spoken of and shipments are being regularly made to the packing houses. The unusually long confinement of farm animals told heavily on fodder stores, and skilful husbandry will be required to maintain live stock in good shape should the summer be at all unfavorable.

FARM SUPPLIES.

Hay is scarce and dear in most quarters, as a large quantity was pressed and shipped early in the winter, and a good deal had to be fed to live stock during the late spring. Oats also had to be fed in greater quantity than was anticipated, and the surplus on hand is comparatively small. Wheat has been largely disposed of, and taken altogether, fodder supplies have been more heavily drawn upon than for years. Of course, there are individual farmers who have still a good supply of some, or all of these commodities, on hand. Fat cattle have been pretty well cleared off, exports

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Around the City.

M. T. Gallon of the Imperial Bank arrived here on Thursday to take Mr. Reed's place. Mr. Reed has been removed to the bank at Revelstoke and left on Thursday.

J. Hay and wife and child of Chicago, and H. Walker and wife, of the same place have arrived in the city and will take up their residence here. Both are good carpenters and will take a hand in Strathcona's building rush this season.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Hospital Aid Society will be held in the Council Chamber over Douglas Bros.' store on Monday next, June 3rd, at 3.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested as the revised constitution and bylaws will be read for the last time.

CHRONOS.

We haven't yet seen anything of that bed which was frozen to death. It must be in hiding somewhere in Edmonton. A few more warm days and it will be able to walk over here.

Between the Hon. Emmerson and the porter, those poor unprotected females in the St. Lawrence Hall appear to have had a warm time all right.

They are giving a new law in Calgary and Winnipeg and here they ask a bonus for its manufacture. Another case covered by the law of supply and demand. In Edmonton the commodity does not seem to be spoken of at all. The article most in use there is still "bye."

In the Strathcona market report in the Journal hog is spelled with two 'p's. It is not the fault of the porter but rather of the associations of the scribbles (the Edmonton brand demands two 'p's and a capital "H").

It came pretty near snowing last night. Good thing it didn't, or the C.N.R. might have been tied up for a week and those poor buffalo would have died of emul in the capital city. An American doctor and his wife elabored up to Himalayan heights over twenty thousand feet. The latest reports are to the effect that they had a high tide time.

Postmaster P. A. Miquelon, and W. Brown, of Westsaskia, came up to the Edmonton baseball match last night in the latter's auto, and will return this afternoon. A party from Peace Hills village also came up in the train. They threw their sympathy and influence into the scale in favor of Calgary in the home hall games and today are explaining why their tonight was not as good last night as their hind sight is today. Strange how these village boys will get grieved when they go to the city.

The hand of the military escort to Prince Fushimi, cousin of the Japanese Emperor, is said to be struggling with the notes of Japan's National Anthem. They ought to take a few meals in a Jap restaurant just to cultivate the proper facial contortions.

A cyclone this week struck Norfolk County, Ont. This is the first one since the Legislature election of 1905.

Two small boys in Ontario tapped the letter boxes in an Ontario city. If such a habit became general in the West what contributions to ancient history might result?

SUCCESSFUL SMOKER

Thursday evening the local lodge Sons of England gave a smoker in the Oddfellows' hall to their numerous friends in Strathcona and Edmonton. There were about seventy in attendance, and all spent a most enjoyable time. A short musical program was rendered and several of the Edmonton brethren made short addresses on the aim and work of the order. At the close refreshments were served.

The lodge has decided to make the last meeting in every month of a social nature, thereby increasing the interest. They meet the first and third Thursday of every month in Oddfellows' Hall, and a cordial invitation is extended to all Englishmen to become members.

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TENDERS.

Tenders are invited for the excavating work for the new city hospital, Strathcona.

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Mr. Bowden-Smart On City Accounts

Editor of the Chronicle.

Dear Sir—As there seems to be a great deal of misunderstanding in regard to the city's finances I feel that it is my duty as the late city accountant to endeavor to place before the ratepayers a clear idea as to the reason for incorporation in June 1899. I was instructed by the council to make an audit of the books of the city from its incorporation in June to 31 December 1906. This I did and in September placed before the council a statement showing various clerical errors and adjustments that are necessary to make before writing up the books for 1906. There were errors that had escaped the notice of the auditor during the previous year but in no way to the prejudice of Mr. Rutherford, the late secretary—Treasurer. In my report I stated that no exact audit could be prepared for the following reasons:—In order to give a proper auditor's certificate, it is necessary that all receipts should be vouched for and all payments shown by cheques. As in many cases these were missing no qualified auditor would ever sign an auditor's certificate. The same applies to the books of 1906; as I had no exact balances to bring forward for 1901 I could not submit an exact balance sheet for 1906 but some months ago I submitted a financial statement in the same form as that submitted this week by the auditor, except that the cash had not been balanced with the bank. This was not done from January, 1900 to the present time except by the auditor. I may say that I was engaged as assistant by the Secretary Treasurer on 9 October, 1906, on which date there were no books of account for the books of the Treasurer. I was not in receipt of the books of the Treasurer until last night's Chronicle appeared a statement made by Ald. McKenzie that as Mr. Clark had thrown away, as Mr. Clark had to go over the books of the Treasurer. I do not think that the Alderman made the remark but if so it is incorrect as my work as auditor terminated on 31 December 1906 and Mr. Clark commenced on the following day and he has not touched upon any of the books audited by me.

This confirmed by Mr. Clark's first report to the council. I have upon numerous occasions pointed out absolutely necessary adjustments that should be made in some of the details but nothing has been done to remedy them. I pointed out that in order to produce a correct balance sheet and statement of assets, liabilities and a valuation of all the land, buildings, plant, etc., of the municipality must be made. Nothing has ever been written of the old electric light machinery, as one instance, therefore we have an asset against the debentures some \$25,000 which in reality is represented by some \$2,000 for old iron boilers, etc., sold after the explosion in the old power house, and the old power house, poles, wires, etc. These are all very serious points affecting the future and present credit of the municipality. There are large sums owing the city which could be collected if anyone was appointed to do the work. In the meantime we are paying interest to the bank on a large overdraft. In the matter of the Hospital I may say that I have kept all the books and records of that institution since its inception in April 1906 to the present time so that the government grant of some \$1500 can be secured for the city. All this I have done without remuneration, and had it not been for the energy and perseverance of Mr. Alderman Elliott, no books would ever have been authorized for the Hospital at all. I respectfully submit as a ratepayer that it is up to the council to take up these matters seriously and to give up wasting hours in personal attacks and abuse and quibbling over minor points of finance.

Yours faithfully, E. S. Bowden-Smart. Late assistant auditor Metropolitan Water Board Arbitration, Lambeth, Vauxhall & Chelsea Water Com. Northwestern Mines, South Africa, Nizans State Railway, India, West Australian Gold Fields, Bank of Mexico.

We must take exception to Mr. Bowden-Smart's statement that he does not think that Alderman McKenzie made the remark alluded to above, as to the money paid to Mr. Smart being thrown away. Mr. Clark having to go over the books again. Your reporter is not in error. —Ed. Chronicle.

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